

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the following paragraphs as indicated:

[0004] As digital set-top terminals become more of an application communication device, these set-tops enable various applications such as web browsing, video conferencing, games, home networking, device configuration, and the like. Because each application program has its own user interface and menu requirements, the customization of the functions of the remote control device to these applications will greatly simplify the user interface experience, hence providing ~~provide~~ the consumer with a more user-friendly means of interacting with the application.

[0017] The television programming received through the primary tuner 202 can be buffered and selectively recorded on the PVR disk 106 under the control of the central processing unit 104. This function is similar to that performed by the personal video recorders (PVRs) ~~described above~~. The programming can also be decoded through the audio/video decoder 103 and provided to the video/audio outputs 119. The user's television set (not shown) is connected to one or more of that set of outputs 119, thereby allowing the user to watch the selected programming.

[0032] With reference to Fig. 2, the The user interface 118 in the present invention consists of a user interface device 144, such as a remote controller, web-pad, Personal Digital Assistant (PDA), or any hand held consumer device with a touch pad screen. In the illustrated embodiment, the user interface device 144 comprises a

versatile remote control unit (VRC) 144 that transmits and receives commands wirelessly to and from the set-top terminal 100. For example, the versatile remote control unit 144 typically would have an infrared (IR) signal emitter (not shown) that sends IR control signals to the set-top terminal 100. Once received, the IR commands are then processed by the central processing unit 104.